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## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Residents of seven Tennessee counties who are out of work as a direct result of severe flooding that began July 27, 2001, may be eligible for Disaster Unemployment Assistance. Individuals who are not covered under regular unemployment, including self-employed workers, may qualify for disaster unemployment benefits.

The seven counties listed in the disaster declaration are **Carter**, **Cocke**, **Greene**, **Johnson**, **Shelby**, **Unicoi**, and **Washington**. People in the affected counties who feel they may be eligible should report to their local Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development office before the 30-day cutoff date, which is **Friday**, **September 28, 2001**.

Please take your most recent income tax returns, your social security number, and any papers with wage and employment information prior to the disaster.

Local TDLWD offices for the affected counties are as follows:

COUNTY	TDLWD OFFICE ADDRESS	
Carter	386 Highway 91, Suite 1, Elizabethton	(423) 543-5209
Cocke	440 Eastern Plaza Way, Newport	(423) 623-1108
Greene	214 North College Street, Suite 100,	(423) 639-5103
	Greeneville	
Johnson	358 Hospital Road, Mountain City	(423) 727-9426
Shelby	2745 S Mendenhall Rd, Memphis	(901) 543-7831
•	1295 Poplar Avenue, Memphis	(901) 543-7535
	2850 Austin Peay Highway, Memphis	(901) 543-7842
Unicoi	Courthouse Building, North Main Street,	(423) 743-4146
	Erwin	,
Washington	206 High Pointe Drive, Johnson City	(423) 952-6050

For information on additional programs available to disaster victims, please call Federal Emergency Management at 1-800-462-9029.

The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development is an equal opportunity employer. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities

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